

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7132

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 11, 2003

Rulemaking to Amend Rules of )  
Practice and Procedure and )  
Regulations, Regulation No. 61 )  
and Regulation No. 62 )

Case No. MP-2003-08

This rulemaking was announced in Order No. 7015, served January 27, 2003, for the purpose of soliciting comments on proposed amendments to Commission Regulation Nos. 61 and 62 designed to resolve a conflict between Regulation No. 61, on the one hand, and Regulation Nos. 62 and 64, on the other.

Order No. 7015 established a thirty-day comment period. The Commission served copies of the order on all existing WMATC carriers and placed a notice in the Washington Times. No comments were received. Accordingly, the proposed amendments shall be adopted for the reasons stated in Order No. 7015.

Regulation No. 61 and Regulation No. 62-06 are hereby amended to read as follows.

61. Marking of Revenue Vehicles

61-01. The following information must appear on both sides of each vehicle used to transport passengers under WMATC authority:

- (a) the carrier's legal name or trade name appearing on the carrier's certificate of authority, or otherwise approved by the Commission for use in the Metropolitan District, preceded by the phrase "Operated By" if some other name also appears on the vehicle; and
- (b) "WMATC" followed by either the carrier's certificate of authority number or, if applicable, the carrier's temporary authority or approval number.

61-02. The markings required by this regulation must contrast sharply in color with the background and be legible during daylight hours from a distance of fifty feet. Markings less than two and one-half inches in height are presumed not to

be legible from fifty feet. The markings must be kept and maintained in a manner preserving the required legibility.

61-03. The markings required by this regulation must be permanent, except that vehicles operated under temporary authority or approval and vehicles leased for not more than thirty days in any calendar year may be marked with the use of removable displays that otherwise meet the requirements of this regulation.

61-04. Markings placed on a vehicle in compliance with this regulation must be removed when the vehicle is permanently withdrawn from revenue operations.

61-05. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations adopted and incorporated by reference pursuant to Regulation No. 64 shall not include commercial motor vehicle marking requirements.

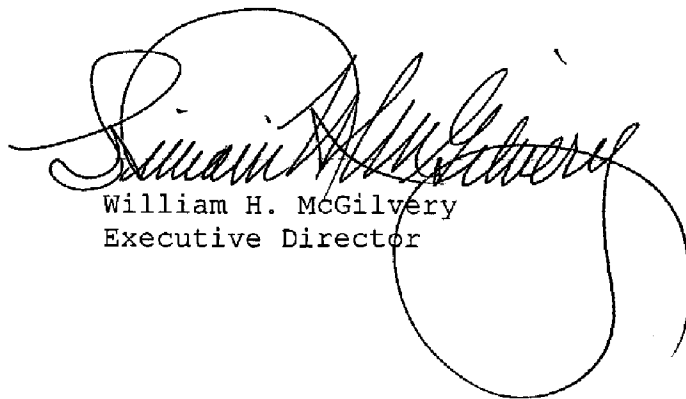
62. Lease of Equipment

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62-06. Vehicle Markings. The vehicle markings on a leased vehicle must comply with Regulation No. 61 and must be removed before the vehicle is returned to the lessor.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES, MILLER, AND MCDONALD:



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